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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

NOBUKO YAMAMOTO ET AL.

Application No.: 09/942,662

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For: DETECTING METHOD AND
DETECTION SUBSTRATE
FOR USE THEREIN

Examiner: Not Yet Assigned

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Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to examining the subject application on the merits, please amend this application as follows and consider the following remarks.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 6, line 17 and ending at page 5, line 3 with the following paragraph. A marked-up copy of the original paragraph showing the changes thereto is attached.

--Also, for examining cDNA for mRNA that is transcribed with reflection of the process of development of a certain organism, cDNA for mRNA that is transcribed with reflection of each phase in the process of culturing a certain cell, cDNA for mRNA that is transcribed by interaction with drugs, and so on, a DNA array with multiple types of test samples arranged is used. Examples of arraying this test sample are described, for